TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2228 - SB 2470

January 26, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Decreases, from 10,000 to 8,000, the minimum population that a municipality must have to enforce certain traffic violations on interstates within their jurisdiction without special authority from the Commissioner of the Department of Safety (DOS).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The restriction does not apply to drug interdiction officers employed by municipalities.
- According to DOS, there will be no impact on the number of citations issued by the Tennessee Highway Patrol and no fiscal impact on the Department.
- Municipalities with a population over 10,000 according to the 2010 census have this authority under current law. Municipalities with a population between 8,000 and 10,000 will be granted authority under this bill. There are 10 municipalities that fall in this range. Lenoir City and Alcoa have interstates within their jurisdictions.
- According to the Department of Safety, Lenoir City and Alcoa currently have special authority granted to them by the Commissioner of DOS to enforce traffic violations on interstates within their jurisdictions. Granting these cities the authority by statute will not have a significant fiscal impact on the number of citations issued. Any fiscal impact on local governments will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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